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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Chairwoman  
House Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
House Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Brownsville Emergency Operations Center in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Brownsville located at 1001 E. Elizabeth St, Brownsville, TX 78520.

The funding would be used for project design, engineering, and environmental checks for the construction of the City of Brownsville's very own Emergency Operations Center (EOC). In the event of an emergency or pending natural disaster, the city's library becomes the EOC, which is not efficient or capable of housing all city operations. As a growing city vulnerable to flooding and natural disasters, it is imperative they have a proper EOC for centralized command and 911 calling that would allow the city to tackle any emergency in an efficient manner.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project

Sincerely,



Filemon Vela  
Member of Congress